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Attached are translations of the Naarman et al (DE 3728452) and Sakaguchi et al (JP 4-2958) references. It is noted that the Mifsud et al reference (WO 95/08113) is in the same patent family as US 5,801,297 (this US Patent resulted from the national stage application of the WO publication) which is also applied against the claims. Since they are of the same patent family US 5,801,297 constitutes an English language equivalent of WO 95/08113.

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